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Political cyclone cellars are also in great demand. Channey Filley's hat managed to escape without injury.

No one feels greater relief now that the preliminaries are over than the average city hall employe.

England is complaining of drought. It is really too bad nature cannot satisfy all portions of the globe at the same time.

Suppose Spain should send a new commander to take charge of its forces in Cuba in the place of Weyler. Then what?

It is an ill wind that blows nobody good. The tornado insurance companies and their agents are reaping the harvest.

If the populists will only put a prohibition plank in their national platform they will take away all excuse for further existence from the newly organized home protection party.

The St. Louis cyclone must have been horrible enough without having the horror increased by the publication of the horrible pictures that have been adorning some of the so-called metropolitan newspapers.

The free silverites slipped a cog in the prohibition national convention. And the chances are that their cogs will be slipping right along until they are worn off by the landslide against free silver next November.

There are new rumors about in London of Ambassador Bayard's retirement from the court of St. James. The retirement, we have reason to believe, however, will not occur until shortly after March 4, 1897.

The politicians who are worrying themselves about Speaker Reed's future are only causing themselves needless trouble. Mr. Reed is a big enough man in every respect to take care of himself and will no doubt do so.

The story that President Cleveland will accept an invitation to go on a western fishing excursion with Senator Vilas is now pronounced one of the latest of tall fish stories. But it is a story at which the popular fish will bite.

A man who reads that the weather forecast indicates rain may carry an umbrella, but what would a man do, even if he had twelve hours' notice by telegraphic bulletin that a tornado was on its way toward his town and would in all probability use his front yard for its playground?

The democratic politicians now journeying in Europe are there because they want to keep away from the political storm center this year. They do not want to know anything about American politics and the foreign press may as well give up in advance the task of securing interviews from them upon the situation on this side of the Atlantic.

The month of June will bring many strangers to this city, there being a number of events of extraordinary importance on the lists. People from all parts of the country will, for a few days at a time, be guests of the city. It would be of incalculable value to us if every stranger could carry away with him the knowledge that in 1896 the Transmississippi exposition will be held here, and that every railroad entering the city had pledged itself to enter the proposed depot, thereby insuring its construction.

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THE DEMOCRATIC CRISIS.

The honest money democrats have practically given up the fight for the control of the Chicago convention. Reports from Washington say that Senators Gorman, Bristow and some other equally strong advocates among democrats of the gold standard admit now that the silver faction will both write the platform and name the next democratic candidate for the presidency. It is believed this is the view in administration circles, though it is of course impossible to get any expression of opinion from that source. The Louisville Courier-Journal, which has made a most earnest and gallant fight for the honest money cause in Kentucky, sees little hope that the Chicago convention will endorse free silver. Nowhere, indeed, is there any note of confidence or hopefulness from the sound money democrats. If there are any who have not quite given up the fight, all feel that the chance of defeating free silver at Chicago is well nigh hopeless.

The democratic Philadelphia Record recently said that it would be worse than useless to attempt to disguise the truth that the democratic party is fast approaching a crisis which threatens to completely destroy its harmony and unity. "Nothing but the greatest patriotism, good fortune and political skill," said that paper, "can prevent the splitting of the party into two irreconcilable divisions at Chicago. Much the same elements are at work now which divided the democratic party and assailed the union of the United States thirty-six years ago. Then the motive for division was slavery; now it is found in depleted treasury and repudiation." The Record declared that the triumph of free silver at Chicago would be a distinct abandonment of democracy and implied that it would be the duty of the sound money democrats to revolt against cheap currency and repudiation and thereby keep with them "the organization, the principles and the name of the party of Jefferson, Jackson and Benton." It is of course idle to talk of patriotism to the free silver element of the democracy, or indeed of either party. The advocates of a policy of currency debasement have convinced themselves that they alone are the embodiment of patriotic devotion to the interests of the government and the conservators of the people's welfare. Thoroughly imbued with this belief they satirically laugh at appeals to patriotism. Nor is it apparent what political skill on the part of honest money democrats can accomplish at Chicago against such an overwhelming majority for free silver as now seems assured. The fact that a majority of that committee is against free silver amounts to little, for its power goes no further than the temporary organization. The committee will simply follow the regular course, in doing which it cannot in the least affect the power of the element having a majority of the convention, and that majority will be bound by no rule or practice of preceding conventions.

From the present aspect of the situation nothing appears more certain than a split at Chicago and the nomination of two democratic candidates for the presidency, the gold standard democrats bolting and nominating a candidate merely to preserve the organization. Even this, however, will not prevent a tremendous disintegration, so that in any event the crisis that confronts the democratic party must result so disastrously to it that it may never fully recover.

THE VICE PRESIDENCY.

A good deal of interest is being manifested in eastern political circles regarding the second place on the republican presidential ticket, the nomination of McKinley for president being very generally conceded. The Philadelphia Press of last Friday contained an editorial doubtless written by its editor-in-chief, Hon. Charles Emory Smith, presenting cogent reasons in favor of Speaker Reed for the vice presidency and urging that if the party wants him Mr. Reed should accept. This probably voices a quite general sentiment among eastern republicans and doubtless it is safe to say that if the distinguished Maine statesman were to signify his willingness to take the second place his nomination would be certain. But it is not likely that Mr. Reed will do this. The vice presidency can hardly have any attractions for him and he is sure of being speaker of the next house of representatives. If that body is republican, a position that is in every way congenial to him. New York has several men who would accept the vice presidential nomination and it is thought probable that the delegation from that state will present the name of Governor Morton if he desires it. His selection would undoubtedly strengthen the ticket so far as New York is concerned. New Jersey, Connecticut and Rhode Island have each a candidate, but they are not much talked of. The contest for the vice presidential nomination at St. Louis may be more interesting than such contests commonly are, but it is possible that the candidate will be selected without any struggle.

KRUGER'S CLEMENCY.

The release from prison by President Kruger of all the persons convicted of treason against the Transvaal republic except the four leaders is additional proof that the Boer president is not actuated in this matter by feelings of hatred or vindictiveness, but has acted solely from a sense of duty. A very trying and difficult situation was presented to him. A deliberate effort had been made to organize revolution in the republic and the evidence against the men arrested and who pleaded guilty to the charge of treason was conclusive. There was abundant reason to believe, however, that these men were but instruments and while the government would have been justified in inflicting the severest penalty, President Kruger evidently from the onset has been disposed to give them the benefit of the mitigating fact that they were merely the creatures and that those who were chiefly responsible for their conduct and who should suffer could not be reached. Despite a strong popular demand for carrying out the sentence of the court, Kruger determined to treat the men who had conspired against his government

with clemency and he has done this at some risk to his popularity at home, though other people will regard his action as that of a brave and conscientious man, actuated by a high sense of both duty and justice. There can be no doubt that in all this matter President Kruger has proceeded upon his own conviction of what was proper to be done, regardless of popular clamor at home or representations from abroad. He has not been swayed or influenced by extremists among his own people or by what has emanated from London and there can be no doubt that he is stronger today and that the government of which he is the head is more secure than ever before. He has denied that there is any alliance between the Transvaal republic and Germany and his denial will be universally accepted, because there is no necessity for such an alliance. Indeed, the little republic is better off without such an alliance, for standing alone it can rely upon the civilized world for sympathy and support in maintaining its independence.

NEBRASKA ALL RIGHT. From every section of the state come tidings of a prospective bountiful harvest. Every acre of arable land in the state that is now under cultivation gives good promise of a yield equal to the largest that has ever been harvested in this state. The farmers of Nebraska have been taught the benefits that accrue from a diversified industry. They no longer put their eggs all in one basket, but endeavor as much as possible to insure themselves against loss by planting their land to various staples. While corn will always be the mainstay of agriculture in the great corn belt, a larger percentage of the acreage will this year contribute to the grand total of diversified production. Unless some unforeseen and unlikely calamity befalls the state it is safe to estimate the value of Nebraska's agricultural output for 1896 at over \$100,000,000. The corn crop alone, computed at 20 cents a bushel, will foot up from \$40,000,000 to \$50,000,000. Converted into meat the bulk of the corn crop will yield a great deal more. The small grains, potatoes, hay, alfalfa, sugar beets, flax and vegetable seeds will certainly bring another \$50,000,000 into the state. The output of the Colorado gold and silver mines, worked to their full capacity, will not exceed \$50,000,000. The entire gold product of the United States will not equal in value the farm products of Nebraska, and the silver product will fall \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000 short of it. With two years of bountiful harvests Nebraska will again leap to the front rank of prosperous states and every village and town in the state will resume its former business activity and renewed growth.

Twenty years ago the impression prevailed that it was impossible to get a good horse outside of Kentucky. Now we are told that the west is producing just as good stock as that which is bred in the famous blue grass country. Certain it is the breeding farms of Iowa and Nebraska have made great strides in the breeding of horses the past ten years. In recent years Nebraska-bred horses have made signal records on the turf, and there is no doubt they will achieve still greater triumphs. Under these conditions there is no reason why Omaha cannot be made the center of this growing interest. We should have race meetings every year which can make this city famous from one end of the country to the other. The races on the 9th inst. promise to exceed anything of the kind Omaha has attempted. They ought to be encouraged.

The assertion of the Lincoln News that there is no precedent for refusing to renominate a state officer to a second term is not borne out by historic facts. John J. Gosper, secretary of state, was refused a renomination, although he was a one-legged old soldier and wanted it badly. Benjamin Cowdery, secretary of state, and John Steen, commissioner of public lands, failed of renomination six years ago, and Tom Benton came within an ace of sharing their fate. The idea that any man has a mortgage on an office for a second term because by accident he secured a first term is at variance with past experience as well as with sound political sense. The party incurs no obligations for the future when it honors a man with a place on its ticket, and the interests of the party must be consulted before the interests of the individual office-holder.

PAYING OFF AN OLD SCORE.

The French spoliation claims against the federal government are almost 100 years' standing. It is to be noted that their settlement is coming upon the country when its treasury is so sorely pressed to meet them that it has been at any time in seventy years, with the exception of the civil war period. Some \$2,000,000 is now to be appropriated for this purpose, claim to that amount having been approved by the court of claims.

RICHARD IS HINSELF AGAIN.

Joy nestles in the bosom of Hon. Richard Parks Bland, and all the clouds that lowered upon his boom turn themselves inside out and show their silver linings. The "crime of 1873" looms up before him, greater to see than a sunset in dog day drought. The money power is seized with guilty trembling of the knees. The sun of hope rises like a colossal silver cartwheel, and in the west, by request, the democrats of Oklahoma, have instructed their delegates to vote for Silver Dick.

COMPRESSED AIR AS A MOTOR.

The announcement that compressed air motors are to be used on the street railways of New York is an interesting thing to all lovers of cheapness of operation. It is only somewhat unreliable, but also expensive on account of the patent monopoly. The cost of a competing motor means both give the men who are devising the improvement a cheering prospect of operation. It has been rumored for some months that a compressed air motor was under trial which gave great promise of cheapness of operation, and we presume this is the same one. It is hoped that it will prove a complete success.

day, they are of benefit to participants and afford amusement, without which a holiday respite from labor seems incomplete.

One point was brought out at the prohibition convention which seems to have escaped the attention of the numerous third party agitators and which may cause them considerable trouble before they get through. It was that under the Australian ballot laws as they exist in a number of states the third party electors will have no right to places on the official ballot except as candidate by petition. They must, as a general thing, point to the polling of a minimum percentage of the votes at the next preceding election in order to be entitled to the use of a particular party designation. This is true, for example, in Nebraska. Any brand new party in this state will have difficulty in impressing its party identity upon the voter.

When it comes to the news of the world the World-Herald simply isn't in it. That boastful paper wakes up on Monday to the fact that a great disaster, involving the death of thousands of Russian peasants, occurred near Moscow on Saturday last. Readers of The Evening Bee were given a full telegraphic cable report of this calamity on Saturday, within a few hours after it happened. The Sunday Bee contained a more detailed account, and Monday's Bee reviews the incident with careful estimates of the terrible loss of life. Compare with all this the meager and belated report in Monday's World-Herald. But little things like this are of almost daily occurrence.

Owing to his defeat in the county convention, Attorney General Churchill proposes, so it is said, to make the dome of the state house tremble by certain explosives he will drop in the vicinity of the money vaults. This presupposes there is something wrong in that quarter. If this be conceded, the question arises, could Churchill have been induced to stir up the animals except from motives of revenge? In other words, if renominated in state convention will he continue to wink at irregularities known to exist, and which, if he did his duty, could readily be rectified and prevented?

The diligence and ability shown by County Attorney Baldrige in the prosecution of the jury bribery cases is no less gratifying than was his work in the prosecution and conviction of Holla. His address to the jury in the first Holla trial is conceded to have been one of great breadth and power, stamping him as one of the strongest prosecutors the county has ever had. It takes years and opportunity for a lawyer to gain even local prominence, but it does not require so long a time for a state's attorney to acquire a reputation for fearlessness and unswerving fidelity to duty.

Statisticians tell us that in no year during the last quarter of a century has corn failed to reach 40 cents a bushel in July or August in this market. The question is, Will this year be an exception to the rule? Nebraska is vitally interested in this matter, for there are vast quantities of corn stored throughout the state awaiting a rise in market price. When this corn moves money will be plentiful in the country towns and our jobbers will derive benefits in turn.

GENERAL MANDERSON AS AN ORATOR.

Ex-Senator Manderison of Nebraska delivered the oration at General Grant's tomb. Mr. Manderison can make a better speech than many men who have been president ever could.

READY FOR THE CONVENTION.

The cyclone will not interfere in any way with the republican national convention, which is to be held in St. Louis, and will equal to the fulfillment of all her pledges in that important matter.

CANADA OUTRAGES THE STATES.

The spirit of mob lawlessness seems to be on the increase in Canada. Near Waterloo, Ont., a gang of men seized a woman, covered her with tar and feathers and rode her on a rail. The worst of whitecapping outrages in the barbarous section of the United States can hardly equal that.

DESERVES A RESOLUTION.

The thousands of people who seem to take no interest in the purpose for which Memorial day was set apart should at least give the men who saved them a holiday in the most beautiful season of the year. They might hold a meeting and pass a resolution to that effect.

LOWING OF AN OLD SCORE.

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HIGHEST OF ALL IN LEAVENING POWER.—LATEST U. S. GOV'T REPORT

W. A. King & Co. Baking Powder. ABSOLUTELY PURE

AFTER THE STATE OFFICES.

West Point Progress (dem.): McNish is going to resign one of the few republican state treasurers, and it would not be surprising if his nomination were to be made unanimous. Sutton Advertiser (rep.): Deputy Auditor Heald is the nominee for state auditor would undoubtedly strengthen the state ticket in Clay county. His reputation and standing here is the very best. Gretna Reporter (rep.): Judge G. W. Ambrose of Omaha has been announced as a candidate for judge of the supreme court. His record on the district bench in this district is such that it will commend him to every voter in the land. Sutton Advertiser (rep.): The name of Hon. L. G. Hurd of Harvard is frequently mentioned in our exchanges of late in connection with the office of lieutenant governor. If Mr. Hurd desires that honor he has only to say the word and it is his. Pender Times (dem.): H. P. Shumway of Wakefield, one of the few republicans that have been defeated by the people for a Nebraska state office, wants to give the people another chance to knock him out. He would like to be lieutenant governor. Rock Chond Chief (rep.): The newspapers of the state should have one representative at the state house and in booming W. M. Geddes of Grand Island for auditor they are doing the wrong thing. He is in every way competent and his nomination would be a just recognition of the republican press of the state, which is always loyal and effective in its work for the best interests of the state at all times and in all seasons. Seward Reporter (rep.): Among the numerous candidates for state offices none stands before the people in better shape for a clearer record than W. M. Geddes of Grand Island, who seeks the nomination for auditor. Mr. Geddes was chief clerk of the last house of representatives and a demagogue among eager purchasers. Go to Mr. President. Your logic is too tenuous. Chicago Record: In many of his public documents President Cleveland has made use of phrases and expressions that have attracted the attention of his enemies. The president's Poor Richard phrases are ponderous, but wholesome.

Grand Island Independent (rep.): The Central City Nonpartisan is responsible for the statement that "W. S. Summers of Lancaster is announced as a candidate for attorney general." Mr. Summers is an able as well as a brilliant lawyer and should have had the nomination two years ago, but was beaten out of it by a combination of the republican party. Mr. Summers is familiar with the duties of the office, having served as deputy for a number of years. Webster Reporter (rep.): The western part of the state does not purpose to let Lincoln and Omaha have all the state offices this year. Webster county has a candidate for the office of state treasurer and a person of L. P. Albright and her delegate will go to the state convention united and enthusiastic in their efforts to secure his nomination. The republican convention never has furnished a state treasurer and if the other counties will rally to the support of Webster county's man the thing can be done. Fremont Tribune (rep.): It is announced in a semi-official manner that Lieutenant Governor Moore does not want a second term. It is also announced Senator John G. Peters is a candidate for the senate in this place and when the convention starts out to look for a man it cannot afford to overlook Mr. Telf. He has served four or five terms as a member of the state senate, always one of the keenest, ablest and cleanest men in that body. He would bring to the lieutenant governorship every qualification fitting him for the place.

Table Rock Argus (rep.): The republican state convention will be held on July 1, and if present indications are in evidence Pawnee county will be well represented. The delegates of Hon. Charles E. Casey will be nominated for state treasurer. Mr. Casey is one of our most esteemed citizens, is a republican, and has been a member of the republican banner in every election in this county and this section of the state. He has been a member of the legislature and has received such widespread commendations, as we feel safe in predicting that the good words which will be said in his behalf by the press and by individual republicans, the more they become acquainted with the Phelps county candidate and the more they appreciate his merits, the more they will support him to the office for which he is a candidate and the strength he will add to the ticket in its entirety.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

It is estimated that the profits of Cash Bitter during the past year amounted to \$2,500,000. The secretary for foreign affairs and the first lord of the treasury in England receive each a salary of \$50,000. The fool killed himself by running himself about the man who rocks the boat or the one who carries a loaded gun by the muzzle. Charlotte Bronie's husband, Rev. Arthur Bell Nicholas, is still alive, though it is said that forty years ago he shot his wife.

This year's peach crop will be enormous, the watermelon crop unprecedented and other fruits in proportion. Nobody but a dyspeptic will wish to die this summer. Dudley Buck has discovered that the historic New England stock is dying out because of "too much pie and too little blood." Yet other authorities say that section is suffering from too much new blood.

In a recent interview as Whiteclaw Reid was leaving Arizona for California, he said: "I am as strong, and so far as I can myself tell, am quite as well as at any time for an year, with one exception—every now and then something reminds me that I am ten years older."

Some time ago the supreme court of Ohio decided that Miss Nellie G. Robinson, a lawyer of Cincinnati, could not be appointed a notary public. She has now applied to the supreme court of the United States for a decision on the question, and the case will be considered by Justice Harlan.

A strong combination of extensive consumers of ice has been formed in Chicago to fight the ice trust, which advanced the price 50 to 75 per cent. The movement is co-operative one. It will purchase ice at outside points, ship it in and deliver it to subscribers at one-half the retail prices. "All you have to do," said Jules Blum the other day at President Faure, "is to ride straight and not to read the newspapers." M. Casimir-Perier lost his balance because he was always pursuing the country, but he will inherit his enormous fortune. They are aged respectively 18 and 16 years.

Colonsi Schneck, the new Danish minister of war, is descended from a peasant family of one of the provinces. One of his daughters is the wife of Count von Moltke, a relative of the field marshal, and lives on a great estate near Malmoe in Sweden. The colonel's son married a daughter of the minister president, Herr Estrup. The new minister is now 57 years old.

THE PRESIDENT'S VETO.

Cleveland World: President Cleveland's veto of the river and harbor bill contains the usual amount of his superior common sense and self-righteousness. Chicago Times-Herald: So long as congress denials ruled to the treasury the president cannot be held blameless for refusing to concur in congressional prodigality. Indianapolis Journal: The country needs good river and harbor appropriations every year, but congress should never make bad worse. It is a pity the present bill could not have been thoroughly pruned. Chicago Journal: Grover Cleveland may be forgiven the moral platitudes with which he introduces his public papers because of the sound sense that often underlies them. The veto of the river and harbor bill justifies itself and should shame congress. Minneapolis Tribune: Mr. Cleveland's sermon about the "stating virtues" of thrift, comfort and economy should have been read to the Rothschild-Morgan syndicate. It is "vicious paternalism" in his eyes—to pay a couple of dollars a day to laborers on the public works, but to "reared patriotism" to permit Banker Morgan to reap several million dollars' profit for spending a week of his valuable time in distributing government bonds among eager purchasers. Go to Mr. President. Your logic is too tenuous. Chicago Record: In many of his public documents President Cleveland has made use of phrases and expressions that have attracted the attention of his enemies. The president's Poor Richard phrases are ponderous, but wholesome.

DISASTER'S SHARP WARNING.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: Last night's storm in St. Louis emphasizes all the arguments ever made for putting the wires underground. A considerable part of the destruction in St. Louis was due to the fact that the wires had all been underground. Denver Republican: It is a fact, as the superintendent of the Edison Illuminating company of St. Louis says, that the form which swept over that city has demonstrated the wisdom of placing electric wires underground. There would have been fewer fatalities in St. Louis if the wires had all been underground. Every city in the union should compel electric companies to place their wires in underground conduits. St. Louis Republic: Good came out of ill-fortune when the storm which threw down myriads of wires on the streets broke many of the connections and stopped the machinery in the plants. If the streets had been filled with live wires fires and deaths would have been multiplied when the horror of the consequences cannot be estimated. The warning of danger in overhead wires should be heeded. The work of repairing the extensive damage to electric wires should be done as soon as possible to place the wires in underground conduits.

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DUTY OF HONEST MONEY DEMOCRATS.

Philadelphia Times (dem.): If the free silver men shall control the democratic national convention it would be entirely within their power to adopt rules giving their majority the absolute control of the candidates as well as of the platform, and there is no reason why they should not thus take possession of the nominations. If they shall have the power to adopt a cheap money platform, no good could be attained by restraining them from nominating free silver candidates who are in accord with them. If the two-thirds rule shall be enforced, with a majority, but less than two-thirds, in the hands of the free silver fanatics, no sound money candidates could be nominated by a two-thirds vote, and the only possible way for honest money democrats to vindicate themselves would be to put the entire responsibility upon the majority for the democratic suicide, and vindicate themselves by holding an honest democratic convention and nominating honest democratic candidates.

As the free silver craze is revolutionary in its aims, it would be only logical for it to be revolutionary in its methods. The only method of the democratic national convention, and if free silver shall denigrate that body, the fragments of the democracy would not be worth bothering about.

A PLEA.

Demosthenes. Oh, give me not the "marble heart," Nor yet the "icy mill." Nor treat me thus the "rigid fist," Nor answer me with "ill."

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But, if you must reject my suit, Why please to let me know The sorrow of my lonely fate By simply saying "No."

A SAVING ATTITUDE.

'Twould save a deal that goes amiss In inconclusive labor When the heavy round chunks you leave have landed to his neighbor. For he who claims he knows it all And who professes to be "right" From rich suggestions, friendly call And unaware assistance.

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